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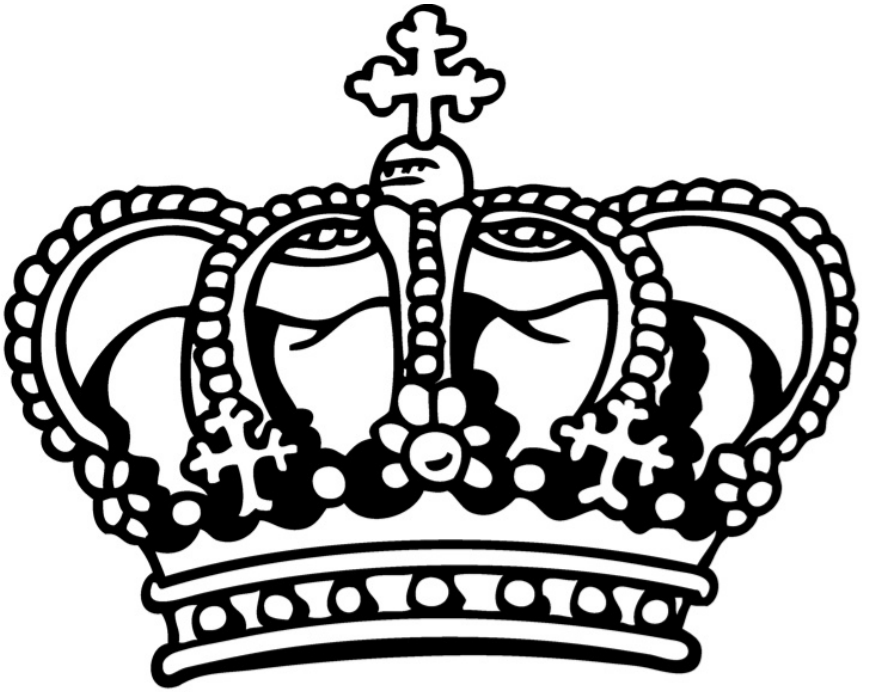

Christ the King

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Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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Call to Worship
In the name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Come to worship Jesus Christ, Alpha and Omega, the one who is, who was, and is to come.

We come to worship the one who rules justly.

Come to worship Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, the ruler of the kings of the earth!

Bread of Heaven, God with us!

Good Shepherd, True Vine!

Eternal Word, Great I AM.

Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace!

We come to worship Jesus Christ, King of kings and Lord of lords! To him be glory and dominion forever and ever! Alleluia! Amen.

Opening Hymn "Thine the Amen" #826

Greeting
The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise "How Majestic Is Your Name"

Oh Lord our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
Oh Lord our Lord, how majestic is Your name in all the earth.
Oh Lord, we praise Your name.
Oh Lord, we magnify Your name:
Prince of Peace, Mighty God;
Oh Lord God Almighty.

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Prayer of the Day

Let us pray…….**O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

please be seated

First Reading Ezekiel 34:11 - 16, 20 - 24

11 Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out.
12 As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I
will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have
been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13 I will bring them out from
the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own
land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all
the inhabited parts of the land. 14 I will feed them with good pasture, and the
mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good
grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. 15 I
myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the
Lord GOD. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up
the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy.
I will feed them with justice. 20 Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself
will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you pushed with
flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you
scattered them far and wide, 22 I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be
ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 I will set up over them one
shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their

shepherd. [24]And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 95:1-7a

[1]Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
[2]**Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the LORD with psalms.**
[3]For you, LORD, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods.
[4]**In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are also yours.**
[5]The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.
[6]**Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our maker.**
[7a]For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

Second Reading Ephesians 1:15 - 23

[15]I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason [16]I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. [17]I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, [18]so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, [19]and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. [20]God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, [21]far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. [22]And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, [23]which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Children's Sermon Pastor Kim Knowle-Zeller

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Gospel Acclamation "Thy Word"

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Thy Word

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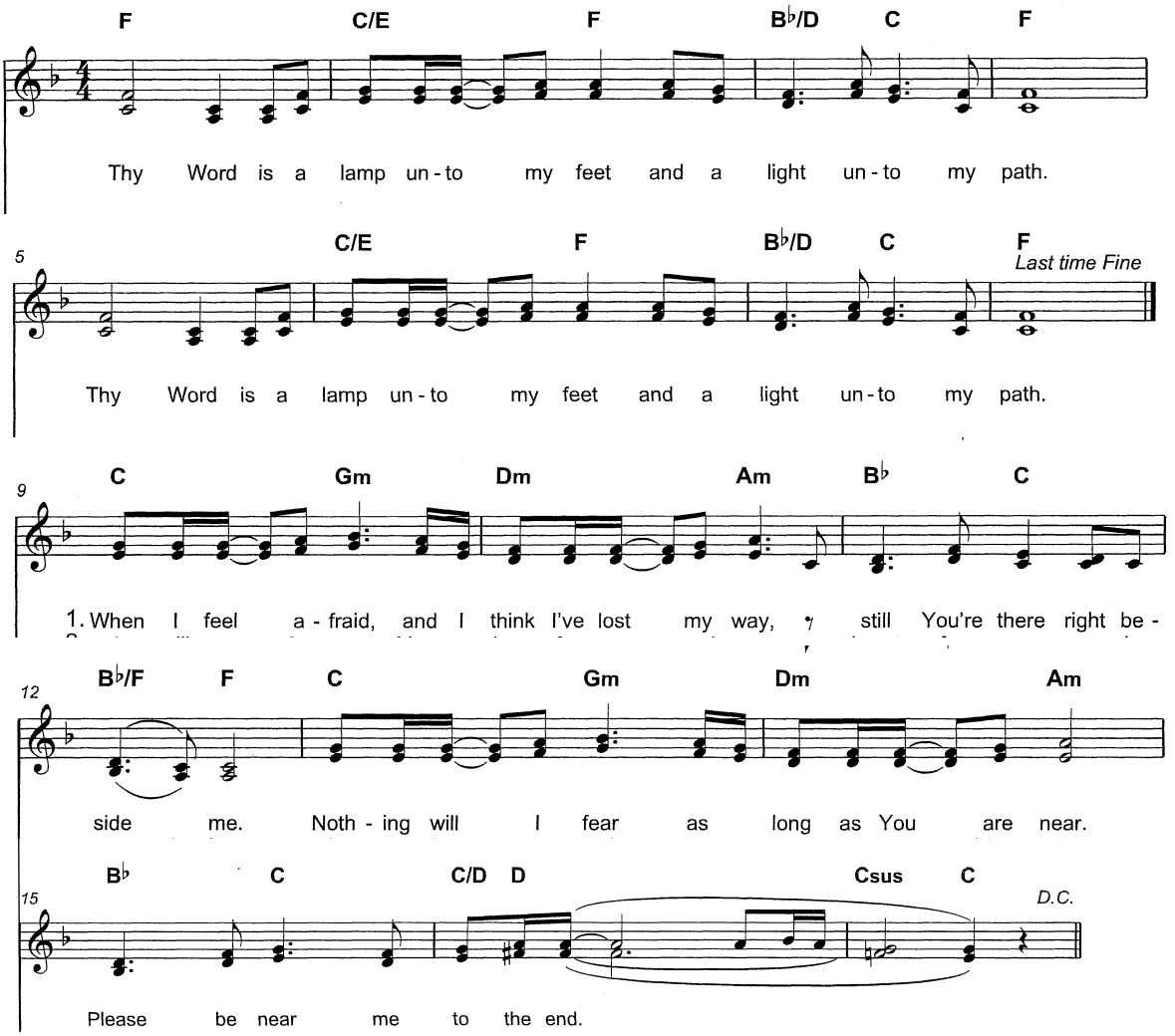
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Gospel Matthew 25:31 - 46

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew the 25th chapter. **Glory to you, O Lord**

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 31"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the
angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. 32All the nations will be
gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd
separates the sheep from the goats, 33and he will put the sheep at his right hand and
the goats at the left. 34Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you
that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the
foundation of the world; 35for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and
you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, 36I was
naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison
and you visited me.' 37Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we
saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?
38And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave
you clothing? 39And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?'
40And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least
of these who are members of my family you did it to me.' 41Then he will say to those
at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared
for the devil and his angels; 42for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was
thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43I was a stranger and you did not
welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did
not visit me.' 44Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you
hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of
you?' 45Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of
the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46And these will go away into eternal
punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

please be seated

Sermon Pastor Stephen Zeller

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Hymn of the Day "The King of Glory"

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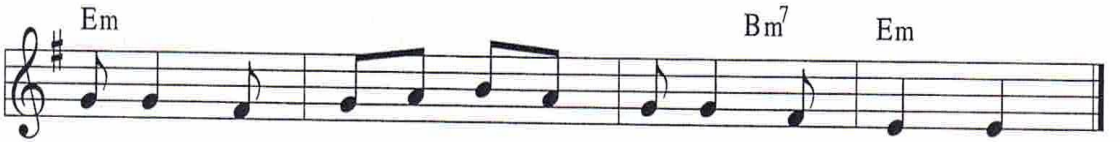
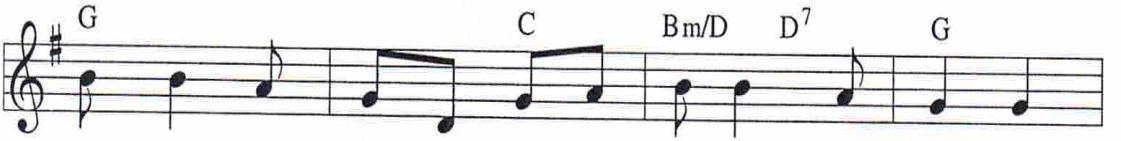
The King of glory

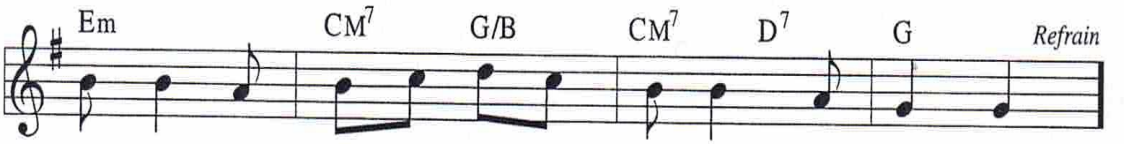
The King of glo - ry comes, the na - tion re - joic - es.



O - pen the gates be - fore him, lift up your voic - es.



1 Who is the King of glo - ry; how shall we call him?
2 In all of Gal - i - lee, in cit - y or vil - lage,
3 Sing then of Da - vid's Son, our Sav - ior and broth - er;
4 He gave his life for us, the pledge of sal - va - tion;
5 He con - quered sin and death; he tru - ly has ris - en,



He is Em - man - u - el, the prom - ised of ag - es.
he goes a - mong his peo - ple, cur - ing their ill - ness.
in all of Gal - i - lee was nev - er an - oth - er.
he took up - on him - self the sins of the na - tion.
and he will share with us his heav - en - ly vi - sion.

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Music: Israeli traditional

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Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Sharing The Peace

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

please be seated

Offering

Offertory "The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing" #531

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Offering Prayer

Let us pray…….God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. **Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving
The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Words of Institution

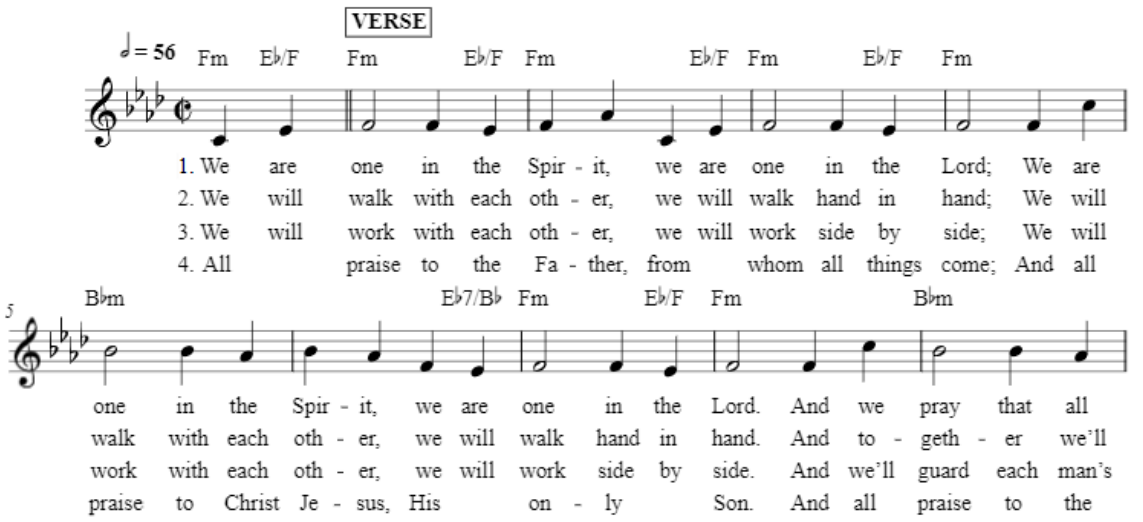
The Lord's Prayer
Hear, O Lord, the prayer you taught us to pray……**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**
please be seated
HOLY COMMUNION By Stations

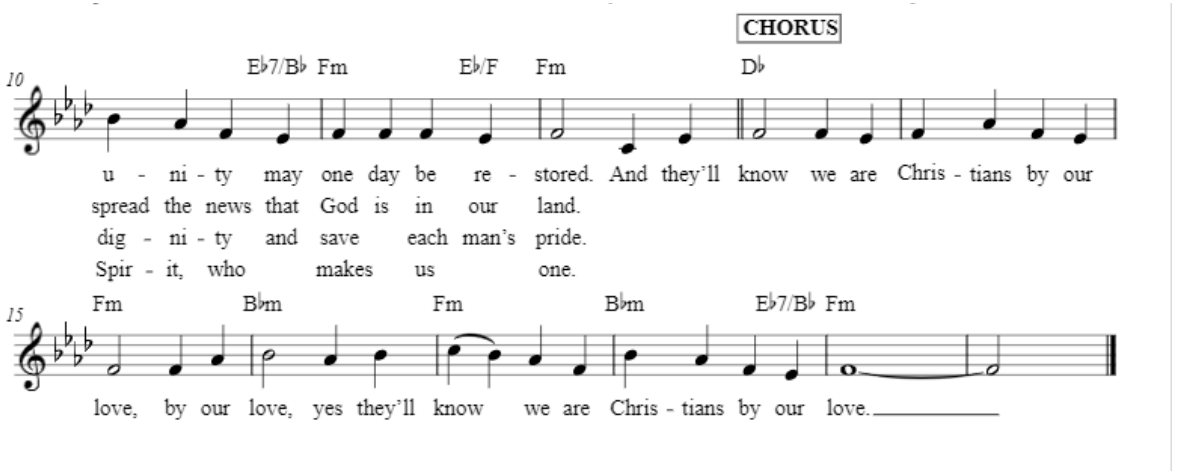
All who believe that Jesus is present in the Bread and the Wine
and has the power to forgive are welcome to commune.
Red wine or white grape juice is available.

Communion Hymns
"Shine, Jesus, Shine" #671

They'll Know We Are Christians By Our Love

Words and Music by
Peter Scholtes





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Post-Communion Blessing

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen**

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray…….Blessed be your name, O God, for we have feasted on your Holy Meal. Strengthened by this food, send us to gather the world to your banquet, where none are left out and all are satisfied. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you peace.
Amen.

Sending Hymn "You Are Holy" #525

Dismissal

Go in peace. God is at work in you.
Thanks be to God.

Let us come
before him with
thanksgiving.
Psalm 95:2, NIV

"Humbly Carrying the Cross"

St Paul's Lutheran Church
– Cole Camp, Missouri –

Welcome: In the name of Christ the King, we welcome you to worship on this final Sunday of the church year. Let us together praise and worship our God.

We invite everyone to enjoy coffee, snacks and fellowship before worship in the Gathering Space. Please join us!

In Our Prayers: "Unspoken prayer concerns", Dewey Jobe, Sandra Balke, Jon Beckman, Judy Smith, Paul Kelly, Gene Beckman, Renee Weller, Teresa Viebrock, Gordon Ives, and Kyle Luetjen.

Cliff Eckhoff, Averi Kroenke, Sharon Forkner (friend of Ellen Harms), Maggie Roark, Mary Warden (mother of Mike Warden), Carmilla Swaim and husband (friends of Debbie Eckhoff), Donna Allen (mother of Adrienn Dieckman), Ken Jenson (friend of Connie Gerken), Cora Lee Fuchs (mother of Greg Bredehoeft and grandmother of Angela Alcorn), Jamie Simon, Dena Sikoutris, Joseph Fuelling (nephew of Paul Fuelling), Bill Talbot (friend of Connie Gerken), Annie Bright, Kiley Simon (friend of Jenna Nash), Karen Haase (sister-in-law of Gene Beckman), Jackie Ross (sister of Randy Healan), Ronnie Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marvin Logan (brother of Gale Logan), Marlin Lackas (brother-in-law of Paul Fuelling), Bill Hampton, Alex Stevens (friend of Tina Ives) and Adam Gumbel (son of Jim & Kim Gumbel).

Nursing Home: Vern Dean Bohling: *Ambrose.* Marie Viebrock & Florence VonHolten: *GSCC.* Kathy Hallauer: *Loving Arms.*

Military: Please keep all those who have served our country past and present in your prayers, especially: ENS David M. Gardner (son of Pam Balke), Private Bradyn Hood (grandson of Connie Gerken), MSgt. Jason Ostberg (son-in-law of Suzanne Lutjen) Lt. Col. Ron Poe and Cpt. Joseph Strathman

Prayers: If you would like your name added or removed from the prayer list, please contact the church office at 668-3537.

Christ the King: **Today** marks the end of our church year. It is a celebration that Christ is our King and reigns forever.

Angel Tree: The Angel Tree is up in the Gathering Space. During November we are collecting gifts for kids in our community. They are to be returned unwrapped by **today**. During December there will be angels on the tree for residents of our local care facilities.

One Stitch at a Time: The Sewing Group will meet on Monday, **November 27th** at 9:00am.

LBPS: Little Blessing Preschool will be in session on Tuesday, **November 28th** and Wednesday, **November 29th** from 8:00am until 11:15pm in the church basement.

Health Care: The Benton County Health Department will be here on Thursday, **November 30th** from 8:00am until 10:00am to help you with your health care needs.

Christmas Program Practice: The children of St. Paul's (PreK-8th grade) will present the Story of Christmas during the evening worship service on Christmas Eve. Practices for the program will begin on Sunday, **December 3rd** at 9:00 am (during the Sunday School hour) and run each Sunday until Christmas. However there will be no practice the morning of December 24. Practice on December 3rd will be for children and youth in grades 1-8. Starting December 10th preschool and kindergarten children will join the rehearsals.

Advent Dinner: Our annual Advent Dinner will be held on Sunday, **December 3rd**, after worship. This is a time for us as a congregation to celebrate the start of the Advent season and share in a festive program. Everyone who can is asked to bring a dish to share, but the meat and potatoes will be provided.

~ * ~ IN OUR COMMUNITY ~ * ~

Chirstkindlmarket Caroling: St Paul's has been asked to provide a group to sing Christmas carols at various locations in the downtown area on the evening of **December 1st** during the Christkindlmarket event. More detailed information will be provided soon. If you are available and would like to participate, please add your name to the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the link.

Christkindlmarket: Cole Camp Annual Christkindlmarket will be held on Friday, December 1st from 5:00pm to 9:00pm. This is a German Tradition of celebrating the Christ Child with the giving of gifts. Many outdoor activities for the whole family. Live Nativity display from 7:00 to 8:00 in the building across from the Cole Camp Museum. Check the Cole Camp Christkindlmarket facebook page for details.

Ole Tyme Christmas: Trinity Pyrmont Lutheran Church in Stover, invites you to their Ole Tyme Christmas in the Country event on Saturday, **December 2nd** at 7:00 pm. This year's theme is Christmas Thru the Ages Indoor caroling begins at 6:45 pm. The freewill offering will be divided between the Stover and Cole Camp Food Pantries. Come and enjoy the local talent as well as cookies, hot chocolate and hot cider.

Do you "Do"? Our local Cole Camp Food Pantry is so beneficial and well supported and has become an important part of our community. Through contributions and drives like the Souper Bowl, donating eggs, individuals buying "a little extra", and many other ways. By individuals, churches, schools, and organizations. Each one is important and a help to keep us going. Have you considered giving yourself? Would you like to help and be a part of the hands-on work at the pantry? Do you "Do"? The pantry could use some more volunteers in various ways – regular time, on call, special days, specific days, etc. If you would like to help the pantry in this way, you can call or text Julie Cronin, 660-723-4094 and we can find a place for you to share in this community ministry.

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THIS WEEK AT ST. PAUL'S

Sunday, November 26:	8:45am	Confirmation Class
	9:00am	SS / Adult Class
	10:00am	Worship Service
		Holy Communion by Stations
Monday, November 27:	9:00am	Sewing
Tuesday, November 28:	8:00am	LBPS
Wednesday, November 29:	8:00am	LBPS
Thursday, November 30:	8:00am	BCHD
Saturday, December 2:	5:30pm	Casual Worship
Sunday, December 3:	8:45am	Confirmation Class
	9:00am	SS / Adult Class
	10:00am	Worship Service
		Holy Communion at the Altar
	AW	Advent Dinner

~ * ~ Coming Events ~ * ~

December 3 ····· Advent Dinner
December 21 ····· First Day of Winter
December 24 ····· Christmas Eve Worship Service
December 25 ····· Christmas Day Worship Service

Welcome to St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Ministers ..... The Whole Congregation
Presiding Minister ..... Pastor Stephen Zeller
Organist ..... Lois Viebrock
Pianist ..... Jeannette VonHolten
Altar Guild ..... Kathy Oelrichs & Sharel Wienberg

Christ the King Sunday ~ November 26, 2023

Assisting Minister ..... Tom Oelrichs
Communion Assistants ..... Ruth Ann Kreisel & Erin Oelrichs
Reader ..... Jim Gumbel
Children's Sermon ..... Pastor Kim Knowle-Zeller
Acolytes ..... Lexi Goyette & Lane Smith
Flowers ..... Janice Gerken
Ushers ..... Kelly Viebrock, Head Usher
..... Mark Oelrichs, Randy Schlesselman, Melinda Strathman & Steve Triplett

First Sunday of Advent ~ December 3, 2023

Assisting Minister ..... Darin Oelrichs
Communion Assistants ..... At the Altar
Reader ..... Dennis Moellmann
Children's Sermon ..... Pastor Stephen Zeller
Acolytes ..... Miranda Gerken & Kelsey Viebrock
Flowers ..... Advent Wreath
Ushers ..... Justin Tinney, Assistant Head Usher
..... Victoria Fox, John Oelrichs, Braden Poe & Ryan Schlesselman